

COUGAR CONNECTION



2023-2024 School Theme: Connected in Christ

"I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Happy Friday, Cougars!

The snow was certainly a surprise to many of our students this morning, but they made the most of it. As one 4th grader put it, "Today is going to be a great day, because I will finally get to build a snow fort at recess."

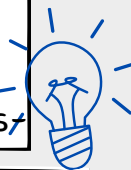
That said, we all pray that God will send some warmer temperatures our way soon.

Some of our students started Forward exams this week, and those will continue next week as well. Please help to make sure your student gets plenty of rest for the testing!

The biggest event on the calendar for the weeks ahead is our Easter break. We will be off of school next week Friday, and will not return until Monday, April 8th. When we return, we have the opportunity to view the solar eclipse- please see the attached permission form for details.

Have a wonderful weekend, St. John's!

-Ms. Heins



CHAPEL NOTES



Next week in chapel, Pastor Gilbert will be preaching on "What is Confession?" the from the catechism. Please join us at 9:00 am in our sanctuary on Wednesday morning!

ART CLUB: 4TH GRADE

An Art Club will be offered to 4th Graders on Mondays. The Art Club will be held in Mrs. van Sliedrecht's room from the end of the school day until 4:30. The dates are April 8, April 15, and April 22. There is no fee to join. Please contact

Mrs. van by Friday, March 29th at vansliedrecht@stjohnsracine.org to sign up as space is limited.

SUMMER LEARNING

There are two opportunities for some summer learning in 2024:

1.) Registration is now open for Yunique Minds' Summer Bridging program, once again hosted at St. John's. The attached flyer will give you more information, and a separate email was sent out with the registration link (there is also a QR code on the flyer). The program is open to 1st-9th graders and gives students a boost in math and English.

2.) If your child needs a boost in their reading skills, Jill Hasseldahl is offering personalized tutoring lessons to students K-8th. These are one-on-one and will be catered to their needs and skill levels. If you are interested in learning more, a flyer can be picked up in the school office.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Last Friday, our 2nd graders performed "Tacky the Penguin" for the school during the day, and then again for their parents later that evening. Great work, 2nd grade!

ATHLETICS

Track practices will begin on Tuesday, March 26th. This will be a practice for all track students (5th-8th grade).

Leftover concession candy and soda will be sold after school on Fridays each week (\$2 for candy; \$1 for soda) until we run out! Bring your money for a special Friday treat.

RLHS NEWS

RLHS presents its spring theater production, One Stoplight Town.

Friday, April 19 @ 7pm

Saturday, April 20 @ 7pm

Sunday, April 21 @ 2pm

Tickets are available at the door or online at RacineLutheran.org

Veterans & Active Military: FREE

Seniors (60+) and Alumni: \$7

Adults (College Age and Older): \$10

Students (Grades 1-12): \$5

Lap Infants and Toddlers: Free

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 24- Examination and Confirmation

March 29-April 7- EASTER BREAK

April 8- Eclipse Viewing

FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCE

In an effort to strengthen family bonds and instill lasting values, the South Wisconsin District's upcoming Family Life Conference under the theme "Passing on the Faith" is scheduled to take place on June 8, 2024, at Concordia University Wisconsin. Learn more about the conference and register to attend at www.swd.lcms.org/FLC before May 20.

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

We welcome you to join us for any of our Holy Week services:

March 24- Palm Sunday (7:45/10:15 am)

March 28- Maundy Thursday (4:15/6:30 am)

March 29- Good Friday Chief (12 pm)

March 29- Good Friday Tenebrae (7 pm)

March 31- Easter Sunday (6:30/10:15 am)

St. John's Men's Softball team is looking for a few good men, ages 14+. Games are on Monday nights from May through August. If interested, contact Carl Seils at 498-9357 (call or text) by April 15.

Please join the Stewardship Board on Saturday, April 13th for a spring field trip to Feed My Starving Children, a Christian organization in Libertyville, Illinois that utilizes volunteers to pack meals for kids in need around the world. Our packing time is from 2:00 - 3:45pm. We will meet at the Park and Ride on Highway 20 and leave at 12:45pm. Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E49ACAA28A7F58-47903303-feed>

Please Note: For safety reasons, Feed My Starving Children does require that anyone participating is at least 5 years old.

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICE: 7:45 AND 10:15 AM

*BIBLE STUDY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL BETWEEN THE SERVICES